

This submission is in response to the August 22, 2008, letter from Brian Bennett.

1. Concerning "best efforts" to obtain occupation/employer information from contributors, all of our solicitations include a clear request for occupation and employer information from contributors--including a statement that we are required to request such information under the Federal Election Campaign Act. Each donor receives a follow up communication which again asks for employer/occupation information and informs the contributor that we are required to ask for this information. In cases where these efforts are not successful, we employ a variety of methods, including phone calls and letters, to obtain the information.
2. Schedule A. Today (9-22-08) I have filed an amendment to our July Quarterly report (4-1-08-6-30-08) which includes amendments to the occupation/employer information for all \$200 plus donors for which the information was missing in the original report.
3. Independent Expenditures. The amendment filed today of the July Quarterly report amends independent expenditure reports that were designated as "primary" expenditures to include state information. For the record, the reason we did not include this information in the original report was that we considered our efforts as geared to the general election and not the primaries. As you can see, this is supported by the fact that we made expenditures in states after the primaries had actually taken place in those states. We believe that those expenditures could reasonably be categorized as expenditures for the general election. However, we understand that the current state of regulations mandate that these expenditures be itemized by state.

I hope this electronic submission and the amendment filed today adequately address the three concerns expressed in the letter of 8-22-08.

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